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Statement in the above-identified application. This
Statement is submitted:

- [] within three months of the application filing date;
- [X] more than three months from the application filing date but before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, submission of this Statement requires no fee. However, if for any reason a fee is due, the Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement to Deposit Account

No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this letter is transmitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, applicants hereby make the following documents of record in the above identified application:

<u>U.S. Patents</u>

5,592,444	01/1997	Alon et al.
5,583,836	12/1996	Rokutan et al.
5,508,990	04/1996	Nagasaki et al.
5,485,438	01/1996	Koyama
5,483,511	01/1996	Jewell et al.
5,465,243	11/1995	Boardman et al.
5,457,670	10/1995	Maeda et al.
5,428,974	11/1981	Tsunoda et al.
5,239,529	08/1993	Tobita et al.

^{*} Applicants reserve the right to challenge the status of any of the cited documents as prior art.

5,105,407	04/1992	Ishika
4,972,396	11/1990	Rafner
4,841,514	06/1989	Tsuboi et al.
4,754,446	06/1988	Reno
4,703,408	10/1987	Yonezawa et al.
4,298,974	11/1981	Tsunoda et al.
4,283,777	08/1981	Curry et al.
4,001,493	01/1977	Cone
Foreign Patents		
WO 94/19796	09/1994	WO
0 630 002 A1	12/1994	EP
0 388 760 A1	09/1990	EP

Copies of the aforementioned documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate), are enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent that may issue on this application.

Applicants request that a copy of Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate herewith), as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.

An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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